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Subject: BYERS, LOUIS TEMPLE

FOIPA No. 0985427- 000

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#1 6/12/69
#2 2/31/69

Dear Mr. Lazar:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Form OPCA-16a:

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4 page(s) were reviewed and 4 page(s) are being released.

☐ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning other Government agency(ies) [OGA]. This information has been:

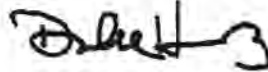
- ☐ referred to the OGA for review and direct response to you.
- ☐ referred to the OGA for consultation. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is finished.

☒ You have the right to appeal any denials in this release. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001 within sixty days from the date of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☒ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown, when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s). Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s) (2)

6/12/69

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TO: SAC, WFO
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (80-467)
SUBJECT: LOUIS BYERS *iso*
INFO CONCERNING
POLICE COOPERATION

LOUIS BYERS is National Organizer of National Youth Alliance (NYA) and maintains office at 821 Du Pont Circle Building, NW, Washington, D. C. He reportedly now lives in Cheverly, Maryland.

He formerly resided at 11 Duff Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. and reportedly was Coordinator of John Birch Society in Pittsburgh area.

NYCPD has requested any available background information concerning captioned subject.

WFO, Pittsburgh and Baltimore are requested to furnish NYO with information on BYERS available through indices search and/or local agency checks. All replies should be directed to the attention of Desk 43, NYO.

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2 - Baltimore (RM)
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BYERS, LOUIS

Coordinator of the
John Birch Society

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SAC, NEW YORK (80-467)
(ATTENTION: DESK 43)

7/31/69

SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-3328) (RUC)

LOUIS BYERS
INFORMATION CONCERNING
POLICE COOPERATION

Re New York airtel to Washington Field dated 6/12/69.

The 10/17/66, issue of the "Tribune Review", a Greensburg, Pa., daily newspaper, contained an article captioned, "Keep Communists Off College Campuses", which set out that Communists do not have a right to freedom of speech in America, and quoted J. EDGAR HOOVER and Pope PIMS XI. This article originated with the Committee for National Survival and listed one LOUIS BYERS, 11 Duff Road, Pittsburgh, Pa., as Vice-Chairman of this committee.

The 7/19/65, issue of the "New Castle News", a New Castle, Pa., newspaper, on page 2 contained an article captioned, "John Birch Society Meets Here Wednesday", which set out in part that LOUIS BYERS of Pittsburgh, an area coordinator for the society, would speak at a closed meeting. It was expected that BYERS would show films of ROBERT WELCH, National Director, and explain the society.

It is noted that Pittsburgh is in possession of New York airtel to Bureau dated 5/20/69, New York file 157-3447, captioned, "National Youth Alliance (NYA), Racial Matters, OO: Washington Field" which contains information on LOUIS BYERS.

On 7/15/69, Officer [redacted] Police Department, Pittsburgh, Pa., advised he had no information identifiable with LOUIS BYERS. b6

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On 7/16/69, Officer [redacted] Police Department, Wilkensburg, Pa., advised he had no information identifiable with BYERS.

On 7/22/69, [redacted] Allegheny County Detective Bureau, Pittsburgh, Pa., advised she had no arrest record for BYERS.

On 7/22/69, [redacted] Credit Bureau, Inc., 415 Smithfield St., Pittsburgh, Pa., made available a report for LOUIS T. BYERS, [redacted] with an address of 11 Duff Road, Pittsburgh. A notation dated June, 1969, reflected that BYERS resided at 5457 Madison Way, Cheverly, Maryland. His employer was listed as the John Birch Society, and the report contained nothing unfavorable.